MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): Sir, the answer of my learned friend is not at all satisfactory for two reasons. In the first place my friend said that the order of things in the jail is satisfactory and he relies for this on the evidence of our learned friend Mr. Madhavan Pillai which is not before the House. Therefore, that is not admissible. Then with regard to the question of inspection he has given the erroneous fact that we have no sub-jails.

Anyhow, I have pointed out all these things and brought this motion to the attention of the Government. I am sure these things will receive the anxious consideration of the new administration and therefore I do not press the motion.

PRESIDENT: Has the member the leave of the House to withdraw the motion?

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motions 336 to 338.

The following motions were not moved:

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI:

336 To reduce the allotment of Rs. 94,978 under Demand X by Re. 1.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN:

337. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 94,978 under Demand X by Rs. 10.

MR. A. C. KURIAKOSE:

338. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 94,978 under Demand X by Rs. 100.

PRESIDENT: I place before the House for its vote Demand No. X—Central Prison—Rs. 94,978. May I take it as passed?

The grant was made.

DEMAND XI.—POLICE.

PRESIDENT: The House will now pass on to Demand No. XI—Police.

MR. L. A. BISHOP (*Commissioner of Police*): Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 5,80,204.

Motions 339 and 340.

The following motions were not moved:

MR. A. THANU PILLAI:

339. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 16,523 for establishment by Re. 1.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN:

340. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 16,523 for establishment by Rs. 5.

Motion 341.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Sir, I beg to move the following motion:

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 16,523 for establishment by Rs. 5.

My object in making this motion is to point out the defects in the traffic control of the State by the Police Department.

Sir, the traffic in the State has grown to such a size that it is high time for the Government to deal with the matter in an efficient manner. The Police Department is given the control over the traffic section. The Police Inspector and the Assistant Superintendent of Police are entitled to test the drivers and to recommend whether a badge is to be given or not, and there is no specific qualification

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prescribed for these drivers. The fact that he must convince the Assistant Superintendent of Police that he could drive a motor is sufficient.

Sir, the passengers who get into the motor car are placing their lives in the hands of a man about whose character, culture, or education there is no definite certificate.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): May I know from the member whether there is any other qualification anywhere else than that prescribed in Travancore?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): I do not know. If the member has got any information regarding that he may place it before the Council.

The House adjourned at 5 P. M. to meet again on Monday the 12th August 1929 at 11-30 A. M.

T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR,
Secretary to the Legislative Council.

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